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Blind charity hit by vandalism attacks

Vandals have caused thousands of pounds worth of damage after a wrecking spree at a Northampton-based charity's base.

The attacks at Northamptonshire Association for the Blind (NAB) in Wardington Court, Kingsthorpe, saw a stone wall demolished and windows smashed with pieces of the wall.

It is the fifth such incident in the last three months, the bill for which is already more than £1,000.

The charity will now have to pay the new repair bill with more money which would have been spent helping blind and partially-sighted people.

John Wood, the charity's general secretary, is appealing for witnesses to come forward.

He said: "This has not happened quickly. Somebody must have seen something happening."

"A stone wall was demolished and they used that to break double-glazed windows. They also smashed windows of bungalows we have on site."

"It is putting blind and partially-sighted people at risk. The bill is certainly going to be in the thousands."

"We regularly have youths hanging round about 6.30pm each day. My point is these are somebody's children, and somebody must know what has gone on."

"This has happened four or five times over the last three months. And on none of the occasions has anyone attempted to break in."

Mr Ward said the incident happened sometime between last Friday night and Monday morning. Anyone with information can call Northamptonshire Police on 101.

Vandals have also recently struck at nearby Kingsthorpe Library, damaging a door.



Services manager Alex Lohman assesses the damage caused at Wardington Court by vandals

Co-op bank to stay in town centre - but further down street

The Co-operative Bank has revealed more details about plans to close its branch in the centre of Northampton.

Last month, the bank announced plans to close 37 branches across the country, including the one in Abington Street, Northampton.

It has now been confirmed however that the town centre will keep a branch of the Co-op, just in another location.

A spokesman for the bank said: "The Co-op branch in Abington Street will be moving to the nearby Britannia building, which is also in Abington Street."

"The bank will be re-branded as a Co-op and we expect the move to be made by the end of the year."

The Co-op will have just over 300 branches following the nationwide closures, but it is poised to buy more than 630 that are being off-loaded by Lloyds Banking Group.

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Annual charity dance contest to help hospice

Northampton's fourth annual charity dance contest will this year support fund-raising by Cynthia Spencer Hospice, it has been announced.

Strictly Northampton 2013, organised by the Chronicle & Echo, BBC Radio Northampton and Step By Step Dance School, will take place at the Royal & Derngate theatre on Saturday, November 23 and will raise funds for the hospice in Kettering Road.

The event will see well-known Northampton personalities paired with professional dancers as they compete for the winner's trophy, while raising funds for charity.

Fund-raising manager at Cynthia Spencer, John Helm, said: "We are delighted Strictly Northampton has chosen the hospice to be the beneficiary charity for the event.

"The money raised will make

a massive difference to the way that people in our local community receive their treatment at the hospice."

For the last three years the contest was held in conjunction with Macmillan Cancer Support and raised funds for the new haematology unit at Northampton General Hospital, which is now open.

Each year it has raised up to £30,000 for charity and competitions have included leader of Northampton Borough Council, Councillor David Mackintosh, ITV Daybreak weather presenter Laura Tobin, actress and singer Isla St Clair, and head coach at Far Cotton Amateur Boxing Club, John Daly, who won the 2012 contest.

Mr Helm said: "There's a big buzz going around the hospice about Strictly Northampton. Staff are wondering whether they will get the chance to take part. They are desperate to have a go themselves really.

"There's a massive buzz of expectation. It's something fun and light-hearted."

He added: "We haven't told the patients yet but I am sure they will be delighted the local newspaper is supporting us in this way."

This year also sees the 10th anniversary for the hospice's Cycle for Cynthia charity event at Althorp House.

Mr Helm said: "That is one of our biggest events this year now, along with Strictly Northampton."

Cynthia Spencer's next event will be its annual firewalk and the hospice is also planning for a fund-raising trek through Morocco in the spring of 2014.

Editor of the Chron, David Summers, said: "Cynthia Spencer Hospice does fantastic work and we were delighted to support them.

"It promises to be another fantastic event at Royal & Derngate."

Cycle ride raises record sum

Pedal power helped raise a record £55,000 at last year's Cycle for Cynthia charity ride.

The impressive figure was revealed at an awards ceremony at Franklin's Gardens last Thursday night.

The ceremony also launched

this year's 10th anniversary event, which takes place in the grounds of Althorp on September 22, and raises money for the hospice and Macmillan Cancer Support.

Organisers are hoping to top 2,000 participants at

this year's ride, which will take place in the grounds of Althorp on September 22. DJ Jo Whitley and her family have signed up, as has Saints boss Jim Mallinder, who is aiming to get some of his players involved.

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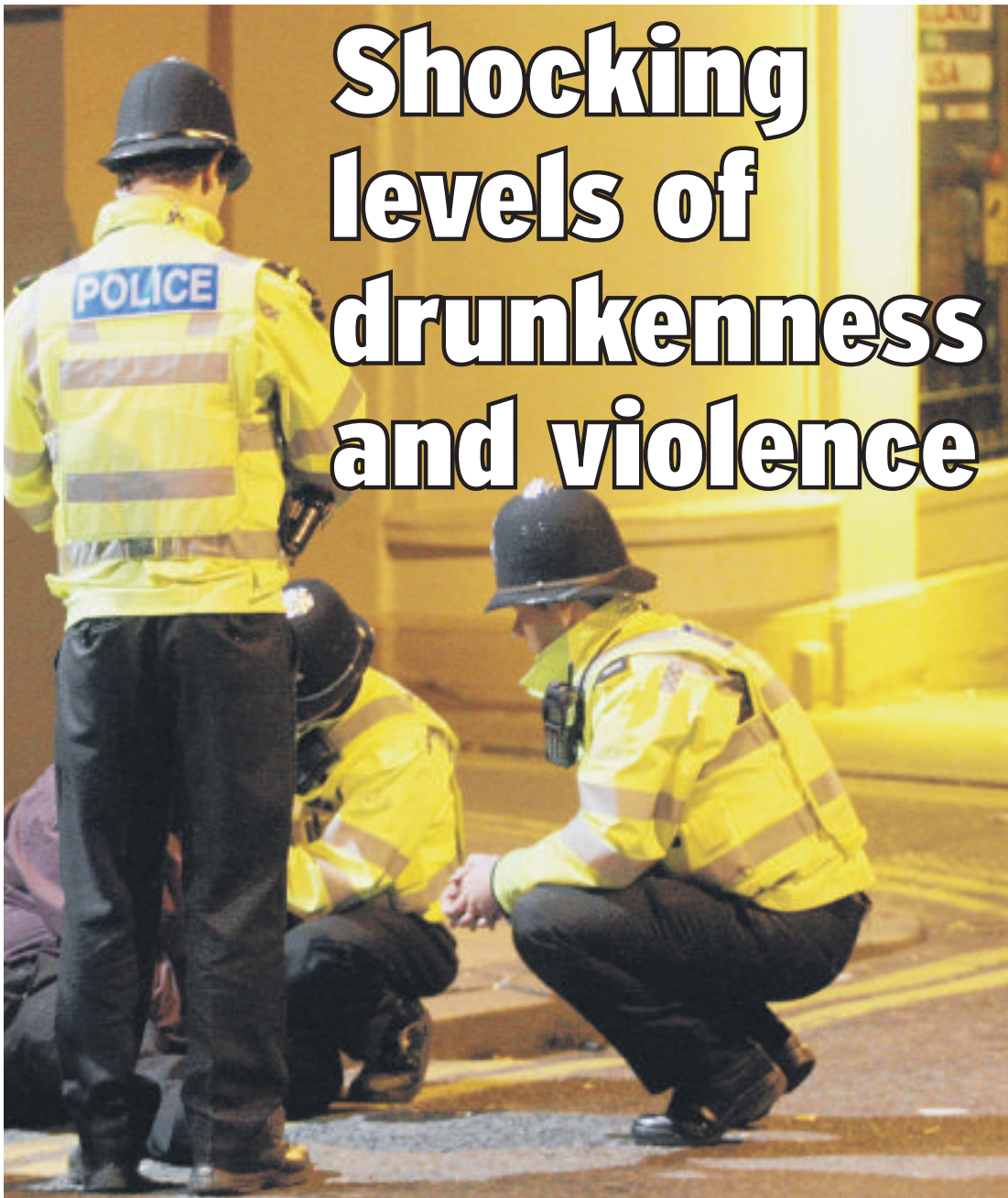
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Shocking levels of drunkenness and violence



The most senior police officer in Northamptonshire has said people would be shocked if they knew the levels of drunkenness and violence officers see in Northampton town centre every weekend.

Northamptonshire Police's Chief Constable, Adrian Lee, has called for a ban on selling alcohol in the town centre after either 2am or 3am.

Speaking to Northampton Borough Council's licensing committee, he said people would be stunned if they saw what happens in the town at weekends.

He said: "If you go into Bridge Street at 3am the levels of drunkenness and violence you get is just not right for North-

ampton. I think most people would be surprised by what actually goes on.

"So I don't think the current licensing system is working properly and I think Northampton would be a much safer place if it was constrained.

"It would improve policing in the town centre and increase opportunities for people to actually come into town and enjoy themselves."

Under new laws, the council can restrict the sale of alcohol in areas where there are crime or disorder problems.

Restrictions could be enforced any time between midnight and 6am and all licensed premises would have to abide by the ruling.

Mawk Sawyer from Bridge Street bar, NBs, said that if the Chief Constable's

suggestion of a 2am or 3am curfew was imposed, some clubs would go out of business.

He said: "This would hit some bars in the town and some would go out of business, there's no doubt about that."

But councillors agreed something needed to be done.

Councillor Sally Beardsowrth (Lib Dem, Kingsthorpe) said: "I've been out in Bridge Street with the police at 3am and it's frightening.

"I saw people who were drunk who were attacking their own friends, they wanted to kill each other. It's scary."

Council officers will now look at where restrictions could be brought in, what hours they could run from and on what days.

Plan for new rules

A curb on late night drinking could be introduced by Northampton Borough Council implementing an Early Morning Restriction Order (EMRO).

An EMRO is a power introduced under the 2011 Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act.

It allows councils to restrict the sale of alcohol where they consider there are alcohol related crime and disorder issues.

Restrictions can be brought in between midnight and 6am.

The restrictions would apply to all licensed premises and events where alcohol is sold. There are no exceptions except for hotels who provide alcohol through mini-bars and room service.

Officials from the Guildhall will now draw up proposals for an EMRO in Northampton.



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Waitrose get final approval for new Wootton store

Waitrose has been given the final green light to build a new store in Wootton by planning officials at Northampton Borough Council.

The company was given planning permission to build a new store next to the Northampton Garden Centre in Newport Pagnell Road, Wootton, in July last year.

But changes to their plans meant the designs had to go back to the council's planning committee this week.

During a meeting at the Guildhall, Ken Harrison from Waitrose told councillors there were only three minor changes to the latest scheme.

He said: "There are three main issues. They are changes to the store's opening hours, slight changes to the service road into the store and changes to the front elevation of the building."

Explaining the need for longer opening hours, he said: "In the lead up to Christmas and bank



holidays, we'd like to extend our opening hours to ease congestion in the store and make it easier for people to shop."

The change will see the store open from 7am until 11pm from Monday to Friday and for a total of six hours on Sundays.

The number of parking spaces

will also be increased from 429 to 468.

The development is expected to create about 120 new jobs. Waitrose has said it hopes to open the new store within the next 18 months.

The plans were unanimously approved by councillors.

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Award-winning brewery for sale

The owners of an award winning Northampton brewery are offering people the chance to take on their 'dream job' by buying the firm.

St James-based Frog Island Brewery is being sold as a going concern by husband and wife team Bruce and Mandy Littler, who are both planning to leave the industry.

Mr Littler, aged 48, and Mrs Littler, aged 45, have run the brewery in The Maltings, St James, since 1994, but are now both looking for a new challenge.

Mr Littler described the experience as a dream job.

His highlights over the past 19 years have included winning the Champion Beer of Britain title, and winning the best drink in Northamptonshire prize at the Holdenby Food Show in 2009.

The brewery is also known for being one of the first in the country to offer a personalised label printing service for its beers.

Mr Littler said: "I feel now is a good time for me to get out of the industry and do something completely different.

"It's a dream job almost all of the time, but it's come to a point where I'm looking for a new challenge in life.

"The brewery can expand a lot more, but we just don't feel we are up to it any more."

Mr Littler is hoping the buyers will continue the brewery's good work.

He said: "We are hoping to sell as a going concern and we are happy to train people.

"The noises I am getting at the moment is customers are hoping someone comes and takes it on.

"And for us, leaving will be sad. One of the drivers we've known for 15 or 16 years possibly did his last delivery from us on Wednesday.



"Saying goodbye to him was a little bit difficult."

Mr Littler is hoping to go into the caravan and motorhome servicing industry - and went for his first ever job interview this week, just two years before his 50th birthday.

Mrs Littler is hoping to take up an administrative post at a school.

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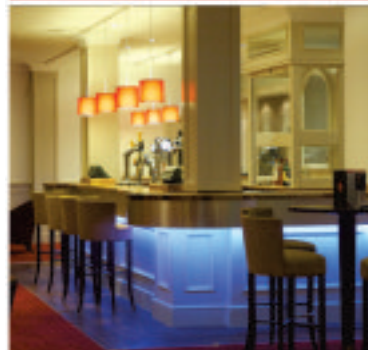
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Lewis, of High Street, West Haddon, has been fascinated by aviation from a young age, and his dad Gary thinks he is only the second person in the UK to get his pilot's licence so young.

Previously, UK residents needed to be 16 before they could get their licence – but this has been reduced to 14 to bring it in line with the EU.

Lewis, who attends Quinton House School in Northampton, flew from The Gliding Centre in Husbands Bosworth.

He said: "The flight was really nice – my mum was a bit scared on the ground though."

"My grandad Roy was a pilot and he has influenced the flying aspect."

"The youngest person in the UK was a lad in Bicester, but I might be the youngest in the East Midlands."

Asked whether he had any nerves, Lewis, said: "There is a



bit of trepidation but once you are up there, you don't really notice. You just think about the flying."

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Assistant Chief Constable Andy Frost said he wanted victims to report domestic abuse to police at an early stage.

He said: "One report of domestic abuse is one report too many. But what I don't want a victim to do is to not report it

"I would rather people felt safe to report it to us and us then be able to do something about it."

Police say about 30 per cent of violent crime is attributed to domestic incidents.

PCC Adam Simmonds wants to reduce violent crime by 40 per cent.

Domestic abuse reports to police on the increase

Reports of domestic abuse across Northamptonshire have increase by a quarter over the last five years, the latest Government figures have revealed.

The statistics, which have been released by the Home Office, show 9,586 reports of domestic violence were recorded in 2007/08.

That increased by 25 per cent to 11,898 reports last year.

Northamptonshire Police say dealing with domestic violence remains one of the force's key priorities, as part of Operation Challenge.

Assistant Chief Constable Andy Frost said rising levels of domestic violence could be down to victims feeling more confident in their ability to report problems.

He said: "Because it happens behind closed doors it is very, very difficult for us to prevent domestic violence. For us, if people report it, it is about trying to make sure they don't become repeat victims."

Mr Frost said high-priority victims were identified and offered help by dedicated teams, while officers were tasked with encouraging people to report abuse at an early stage.

He added: "We have quite a sophisticated plan around repeat victims."

"We are trying to do more around raising awareness about trying to stop people becoming victims of domestic violence but our primary role is to stop people from becoming repeated victims. That is about trying to make sure we deal with victims properly, deal with the offender in the appropriate way and to identify the high risk victims. What we are concerned about is a domestic abuse victim could potentially become a murder victim, so we have to do all we can to help them."

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Pastry chef Laurie lands top NY job

A former Northampton College student has become one of the best pastry chefs in the world after he was given a top job in New York.

Laurie Jon Moran, aged 32, who lived in Northampton from the age of 12 and completed his professional chefs course at the town college, now works as executive pastry chef at Le Bernardin, one of the best restaurants in the Big Apple.

Mr Moran said: "When I studied at Northampton College, I was a very focused and dedicated student."

"I followed my passion but to be a great chef it also takes a lot of hard work and dedication. You have to go through a lot of annoying, tedious and difficult processes but then again, the most tedious things can be the most rewarding."

"I've always been very competitive. You have to be competitive with your colleagues but most importantly competitive with yourself. Even at the college I always tried to be better, faster and more accurate."

Before moving to New York, Mr Moran worked at St. Martin's Lane Hotel in London and worked for Raymond Blanc at Oxford's Le Manoir aux Quat'Saisons.

New York Times food critic, Florence Fabricant, has hailed Mr Moran as someone who can "deconstruct" a traditional dish such as pumpkin pie and "present the various elements as separate tastes and textures."

Mr Moran said: "I knew I wanted to be chef at a very young age. I remember coming to Northampton College



for an open day, the teachers being very highly skilled and very passionate about teaching.

"I remember on one of my first days the teacher tasked me with a very complex gateau and said he gave it to me specifically because he knew it was difficult and he knew I liked a challenge. Throughout the course he kept giving me the most complicated tasks and I loved it."

Mike Coppock, catering programme leader at Northampton College and one of Laurie's tutors said he always thought he was a "star" student.

He said: "Laurie competed in many competitions and I remember him winning at the Bedford Food Festival."

"When he left the college after completing his level three professional chefs course, he went to work for Raymond Blanc at Le Manoir aux Quat'Saisons in Oxford where he stayed for about four years."

"We're proud of him."



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Lottery cash hope for abbey



The leader of Northampton Borough Council has said he hopes millions of pounds of lottery cash can help make Delapre Abbey a key tourist attraction in the town following years of 'disgraceful neglect'.

The council announced this week that a bid for £3.6 million to carry out a full restoration of the 12th century building has been made to the Heritage Lottery Fund.

Councillor David Mackintosh, (Con, Rectory Farm), said he felt the restoration of Delapre Abbey needed to be a "priority" as historical buildings gave the town its "soul".

He said: "Delapre Abbey has been neglected in a disgraceful way and it was a priority for us to restore it."

"The building is part of the history and heritage of the town

and, at the same time we are looking at new building projects for the future, we also need to look after our past.

"Historical buildings like this give the town its soul and we want to showcase them in the best way we can."

Even if the funding is awarded to the abbey, there would still be a shortfall of more than £1 million, which the council plans to meet through its own finances and possibly some fund-raising with the Friends of Delapre Abbey and the Delapre Abbey Preservation Trust.

Councillor Tim Hadland (Con, Old Duston), the council's cabinet member for regeneration added: "Success in this bid is very important to us in safeguarding the future of the abbey."

"I hope that everyone who has the opportunity to back the bid."

Tickets for The Wanted go on sale tomorrow morning after the pop act was revealed as the final band to headline Alive at Delapre in July.

The band will join fellow headliners James Morrison and Paul Weller at the inaugural event which runs from July 19 to July 21.

The Wanted recently won the People's Choice Award in LA and have previously received Brit Award nominations for singles All Time Low and Glad You Came.

They were the musical face of Comic Relief in 2012 and last year broke the notoriously difficult US market with two singles reaching the top five of the US billboard chart.

Support on the night will be from Lawson.

Councillor David Mackintosh (Con, Rectory Farm), leader of Northampton Borough Council, said: "I'm really pleased we are able to announce The Wanted and special guests Lawson will play Alive at Delapre in July."

"They are one of Britain's biggest pop bands and will complete a brilliant line up of live music that starts on Friday night with Paul Weller and ends on Sunday with James Morrison. With three such major names now booked to perform in the beautiful setting of Delapre Park, we will appeal to a broad audience and put Alive at Delapre on the map as one of the major events of our 2013 calendar."

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dar," he added.

Pop rockers Lawson were the main support on The Wanted's arena tour. Their gigs at Delapre will take place in a purpose-built outdoor bowl. Tickets for the Sat-

urday night, which The Wanted headline, cost £29.50 (plus booking fee).

They go on sale at 9am from the Royal & Derngate box office in Northampton by calling North-

ampton 624811 or visiting seetickets.com and ticketmaster.co.uk. There will be no transaction fee if bought in person from the box office. Tickets for the Friday and Saturday events are on sale now.

Council steps in to save festival

The ever-popular Delapre Abbey beer festival will go ahead in 2013 after Northampton Borough Council stepped in to save it.

Organisers Northants CAMRA pulled the plug on the event last month, due to a lack of resources and fears over insurance claims.

And despite talks with the council, CAMRA confirmed earlier this week that they would definitely not run the festival this year.

However, council leader David Mackintosh, who had pledged to save the event, has announced that the authority will take over the running of the festival this year. It will take place over the weekend of May 30 and June 1.

Councillor Mackintosh (Con,

Rectory Farm) said: "I am delighted to say this year's Delapre Beer Festival will be going ahead. Like many people I was disappointed to hear that the organisers of the beer festival would be cancelling the event.

"Over the last few weeks we have been talking with CAMRA about how to save the event, but in the end the group felt unable to host it. It would have been a real shame to lose the festival, especially when we have a fantastic line up of summer events, so this year we will be running it.

"Carrying on the tradition, this year's festival will continue as a wonderful event that showcases some of our best local brews. So

please put the last weekend in May in your diary."

In a statement on Northants CAMRA's website, Phil Greenway, branch chairman and festival organiser, said: "We have decided to take a year off from staging the festival. It has been decided that we will re-group and return stronger for the event in 2014.

"We are grateful for all the supportive messages that have been received during the last few weeks."

Anyone interested in getting involved with the festival, including volunteering, can call the borough council's events team on Northampton 837720 or email events@northampton.gov.uk.

Plans would transform abbey

The plans for Delapre involve restoring parts of the main abbey so it can be used for public events.

The 18th-century stable block and 19th-century stable yard would be

transformed into areas to attract visitors.

Tours would also be held at the abbey and the building's conservatory could be rebuilt. There would also be a new shop

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Paul Withrington, of Transport Watch, said the new train station was a waste of taxpayers' money and the cost of it would be a £200 tax hit on every household in the town.

He claimed many more people used roads in the town than travelled by train and said the money could be better spent in a number of ways.

He said: "The station is perfectly adequate as it is. I would rather see the money spent on the potholes on the roads."

But Northampton South MP Brian Binley, chairman of the Northampton Rail Users Group (NRUG), which has been consulting with the West Northamptonshire Development Corporation about the plans, said: "We have only got to look at our station to know that it's quite frankly a mess. It looks awful and it gives the wrong image of Northampton."

"It's especially the wrong image bearing in mind we want to attract 400 companies providing 15,000 new job somewhere in the region. Most of the people who come to look at the town will look at the station first. This is more than just about transport."



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The leader of Northampton Borough Council, Councillor David Mackintosh (Con, Rectory Farm)

launched the guide during an event at the Guildhall this week.

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A special thank you to Helen for her very emotional speech.

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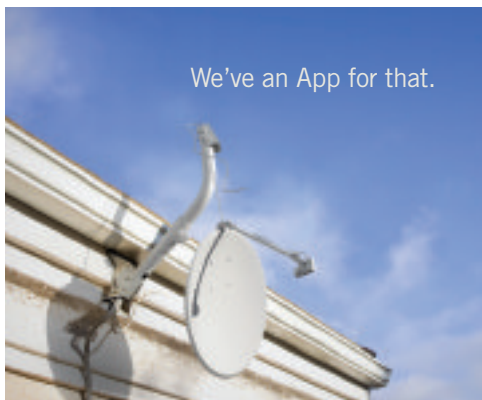
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Please contact Claire Edwards, HR-Admin Manager, for an application form and further details about these roles, on: **01933 663501** or via: **vacancies@wollaston-school.net**. Alternatively you can download details directly from the school website, (available shortly), via: **www.wollaston-school.info/vacancies/**

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Ready for Bath time Copeland signs on

DORIAN WEST says Saints will need to be at their best if they are to compete with in-form Bath on Saturday.

The west country outfit have won their past six games to reignite hopes of a top-four finish in this season's Aviva Premiership.

Saints, too, continue to harbour hopes of a play-off push as they beat Worcester 27-18 on Saturday to stay in touch with fourth-placed Wasps.

Jim Mallinder's men will be eager to follow up their good away performance with a home win this weekend, but forwards coach West knows beating Bath will be far from easy.

"They're a good team," said West. "They're probably a team in a similar sort of position as a whole: club wise, the size of the club, the amount of money they spend. It will be a tight game."

"Things haven't been too bad for

us. We've obviously lost a few games we think we should have won, but we've created a lot of chances and we've just got to get better at finishing them.

"Bath are playing particularly well at the minute. They're a good side, they've got a good pack and we need to be at our best to compete with them."

Following Saturday's win at Worcester, which owed much to a dominant performance from the Saints pack, West claimed recent criticism of his side had provided inspiration.

And he is adamant the squad will keep working hard to prove people wrong as they look to improve their current sixth place standing.

He said: "We know what we are. We have created a lot of chances and we're working hard. We know we've made mistakes but we've been pretty close in every game we've played."



BIG TEST - Dorian West (right) and Jim Mallinder watch Saints see off Worcester last weekend. West says Saints will have to be at their best for this weekend's clash with Bath

NORTHANTS' search for an overseas bowler has ended after the signature of Trent Copeland was secured.

The 26-year-old New South Welshman has agreed to a short-term deal at the County Ground that will incorporate the first seven County Championship and six Yorkshire Bank 40 fixtures.

The signing brings to an end a drawn out saga that saw Copeland initially turn down a contract and South African Rory Kleinveldt having an offer withdrawn after he failed to commit by a given deadline.

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